

## TEN ARE GRADUATED

From the West Liberty State Normal School Yesterday.

## NINE LADIES AND ONE GENTLEMAN

Receive Their Diplomas After Entertaining a Highly Appreciative and Attentive Audience With Very Creditable Productions—Contest of Irving and Bryant Literary Societies—Middle Class Performances. Personal Notes and General Mention.

In rural communities where life is one monotonous round day after day, and where the most insignificant diversion is an event in the simple chronicle of existence, it is no wonder that the somnolent village of West Liberty and surrounding country awakened early yesterday morning and donned holiday attire in honor of commencement at the Normal school. By 9 o'clock the grounds of the Normal building presented an animated countryside picture of various colors, tints and shades, and when the doors of commencement hall were opened it did not take long to fill it to overflowing. The heat had no deterring effect on these people, who packed in a small space, patiently sat out a performance of two hours, and the only cry of discomfort that was raised came from an infant, which was not to be rebuked under the circumstances. The close attention paid by the audience spoke volumes for its intelligence and was an unspoken compliment to the performers, rarely bestowed on occasions of this character.

The Wheeling Opera House orchestra, after tolling up the musical activities between this city and West Liberty, unlimbered in front of the hall and in a short time were attuned for their part in the entertainment, which to many was the chief attraction. When the melodies of their brass, string and wood poured forth, Principal Deahl, followed by the graduating class, entered and took seats on the platform. There were also seated on the platform State Superintendent of Free Schools, Virgil A. Lewis, ex-officio president of the board of regents, Dr. John A. Myers, of the experimental station of the State University, Prof. R. A. Armstrong, who occupies the chair of English literature in the same institution, and who for seven years was principal of the West Liberty normal school; Attorney General T. S. Riley, ex-regent and graduate of the school, and Regents M. D. Post, of Wheeling, and L. C. Somerville, of Ft. Pleasant.

## THE PERFORMANCES.

After prayer by Rev. Trippott, of West Liberty, Miss Ada Smith, of West Liberty, was introduced and gave a delightful performance, her subject being "We Live Not For Ourselves Alone." Her main thought was that we are all dependent on each other for happiness and success in life, or ought to be; that God did not create man a selfish being, and that when we are called away we should leave behind some mark of a good deed or helpful kindness.

Miss Fannie Gardner, of West Liberty, spoke of "Heroic Deaths," referring to Winkfield, of Switzerland, Lincoln, the unknown dead of Gettysburg, the heroic sacrifices of those who fearlessly ministered to yellow fever victims, and made other citations that rounded out her thoughts on this subject.

Miss Bertha Reich, of Wheeling, who by the way took the second honors of the class, gave a charming oration on "Success Crowns Merit," and was a happy example of that trite maxim. She argued that to succeed one must have a fixed aim in life; and as all cannot attain greatness we should attempt to do something we are capable of doing, and if the world does not lay its laurels at our feet we have the consolation of our conscience that we have done what we could.

"Searching For Treasures" was the subject of an oration very skillfully handled by Miss Mary E. Atkinson, of West Alexander, Pa. She spoke of the bleached skeletons that marked the struggles for the hidden wealth of India, California and Mexico, all of which were not worth the treasures of knowledge, the wealth of education.

Miss Maude Wharton, of Elm Grove, drew a very interesting lesson from "Silent Cities," treating in a sprightly manner of Pompeii, Rome, Moscow and the White City on the shores of Lake Michigan.

## "THE DAY BREAKS."

Miss Olive Dunlap, of West Alexander, Pa., whose subject was "The Day Breaks," recalled the periods that marked the steps of the world's progress and enlightenment, the birth of Christ, the day when Luther broke the chains of superstition, the discovery of America, the revolution and the late war, and the dawning of the day of woman's emancipation, of science and art when reason ruled the world.

To "Climb Though the Rocks be Rugged," Miss Mary Straub, of Clinton, told her audience that no good thing is enjoyed in life unless a price is paid for it or some effort is expended in its attainment, and that the obstacles we meet in pursuit make possession all the sweeter.

Miss Frieda Epstein, of West Liberty, spoke in a very entertaining manner of "The Close of the Nineteenth Century," which, though in its finality, was the greatest in all the ages. Miss Epstein's oration was a remarkably finished production.

Mr. J. D. Muldoon, of Philadelphia, was doubly conspicuous on the program in being the only representative of the male sex, but he sustained his reputation in a very thoughtful production on "Modern Legislation," in which he discussed the momentous and unsolved problem of the true relations between capital and labor.

Miss Estelle Clendennen, of Wellsburg, whose subject was "Life is a Star Flaming Between the Two Worlds," was excused from performance on account of illness.

## THE HONORS.

State Superintendent of Schools Lewis presented the diplomas to the graduates, and availed himself of the opportunity to compliment the class and speak words of encouragement to them.

The first honors of the class were awarded to Mr. J. D. Muldoon, who had a percentage of 90.19; Miss Estelle Clendennen 91.58 and Miss Olive Dunlap 93.67. The second honor went to Miss Frieda Epstein, who had a percentage of 92.73.

Addresses were made by Dr. John A. Myers, Prof. R. A. Armstrong and Attorney General T. S. Riley. The school is in a flourishing condition, speaking well for the administration of Principal Deahl. The attendance this year, 142, was six higher than in the history of the school.

On Wednesday evening the contest between the Irving and Bryant literary

societies took place, which resulted in the Irving society taking every honor except debate. The following was the program:

Debate—Question, Resolved, That Woman Should Have the Right to Universal Suffrage.  
Affirmative—John D. Muldoon.  
Negative—Charles H. Ebers.

Essay—Frieda Epstein.  
Essay—Life from the Sea of Life.  
Oration—Only Live Fishes Swim Up Stream.  
Oration—Earth's Battle Fields.  
Declamation—Zuzarella.  
Declamation—The Confessional.  
Mary Straub.

The judges were Prof. F. H. Crago and Henry Osterling, of Wheeling, and Prof. Mitchell, of Wellsburg, whose decisions were in favor of Mr. Muldoon, Miss Epstein, Miss Finley and Miss Wirt.

Hon. Melville D. Post, of Wheeling, regent of the Normal school, entertained a large audience on Thursday evening with a lecture on "Dreams of Agitation."

Yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock the "Middle Class" gave their entertainment, the following programme being rendered:

Declamation—The Fandine.  
Essay—The Use of Words.  
Debate—Question, Resolved, That the Principal of Colleges Comes are Injunious.  
Affirmative—W. H. Whitman.  
Negative—W. H. Whitman.  
Declamation—Where's Annotie?  
Oration—Students of Antiquity.  
Essay—Nothing So Needs Reforming as Other People's Habits.  
Oration—Moral Influence of Soap.  
George Hubbs.

## PERSONALS AND NOTES.

Last night the exercises of commencement week closed with an eloquent oration by Prof. Byron King, of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Paull, of the Opera House orchestra, has to go to the stove to warm his fingers before he could manipulate the drumsticks.

Prof. Eugene Hanke, of Wheeling, the tight rope artist, awed the crowds with his performances yesterday afternoon and evening.

The alumni held an interesting meeting yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, addresses being made by many visiting members of the association.

Dr. John A. Myers, of the West Virginia Experiment Station, at Morgantown, was the first valedictorian of the West Liberty Normal School.

How many people in Wheeling have ever recalled the fact that West Liberty was once the county seat of Ohio county. "It's a long time now," though.

Superintendent Lewis got in a sly dig at Prof. Armstrong in introducing him to the audience, calling attention to the fact that he was still enjoying life without a wife.

Miss Clendennen's illness was a great disappointment to her friends. She was one of the three in the graduating class taking first honors. She made a heroic effort to appear on the platform, but was finally compelled to take to her bed by her physician's orders.

Prof. Armstrong in his address said that a person could not read an interesting story these days without finding an advertisement at the end of it, and he therefore felt privileged to do a little advertising himself, which he did by booming the university.

Attorney General Riley in his speech referring to the graduating class said he would like to put them on the stump this year. The General reckoned without his host, as they are all Republicans. A student informed the reporter that three-fourths of the school were of the same heroic mould.

Among the many visitors present were the following: Mr. Charles Busbey, wife and family, Mr. Sam Busbey and wife, Short Creek; Miss Della Busbey, Mrs. W. L. McCooly, Mrs. Reich and daughters, Amelia, Elizabeth and Grace, Miss Nettie Dobbin, Mrs. Mitchell, Mr. John B. Wilson, of Wheeling.

## NO REPORT YET

From the Grand Jury Regarding the Recusant Sugar Scandal Witnesses.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 22.—The conclusions reached by the grand jury in the cases of the recusant witnesses before the senate sugar trust investigating committee will not be officially announced before next week. If then, the jury evidently having some reluctance to act. A short session was held today. The only witness was Senator Gray, chairman of the investigating committee, who testified to the action of Broker Chapman, of New York, when he was called before the committee. He dwelt on the refusal to reply to the senatorial inquiries and submitted to an examination on this point by the members of the jury. He pointed out the illegality of the actions of the witnesses and cited the law bearing on the case. His testimony was very brief, as the session of the jury continued less than an hour. At noon the jury adjourned until Monday.

## ARCHBISHOP TACHE DEAD.

The Famous Northwest Missionary Suddenlly Dies at Winnipeg.

WINNEPEG, MAN., June 22.—Archbishop Tache, of St. Boniface, the veteran northwest missionary, died at 6:30 this morning. Death came suddenly, as yesterday there was every indication that his grace would recover.

The dead archbishop belonged to one of the oldest and most remarkable families of Canada. He was chiefly prominent in Canadian northwest circles for active interest taken in the Red river rebellion troubles of 1870-71 and later in 1885.

## A DISGRACEFUL SCENE.

The Notorious Breckinridge Receives an Ovation at Hinton, W. Va.

HINTON, W. VA., June 22.—Col. W. C. Breckinridge passed through to-day en route home from Washington. About 300 citizens assembled at the depot and made calls for him. He appeared at the car window and shook hands with the multitude, whose cheers were deafening. One man not friendly to Breckinridge planned up a banner: "Protection to American women," which was torn into shreds by the congressman's admirers.

## Condition of the Iron Trade.

CLEVELAND, O., June 22.—The Iron Trade Review says: The heavy decrease in pig iron stocks in May, amounting in the case of coke iron to 150,000 tons, indicates that the market has complied with one of the conditions of an advance, but views differ as to whether in foundry and forge iron there will be such a sustained demand as will justify a higher basis.

Pittsburgh furnacemen have made further sales of best iron pig, three months' delivery, beginning in July, at \$11.75, and, where only July and August deliveries are specified, this price has been bettered, one 1,000 tons' sale, with a delivery in these two months, being reported at \$12.25, and one of 2,000 tons at \$12.

## PEGULIAR MANIA

Of a Member of the Nobility in Germany, and the Result.

## COUNT VON KOETZE UNDER ARREST

Charged With Writing Anonymous Letters That Caused Domestic Troubles Among the Aristocracy. How Family Ties Were Broken by a Despicable Plan that Had Been Pursued for Four Years—It is Supposed the Count is Insane.

Berlin, June 22.—The Cologne Gazette has caused a sensation in court and other circles by announcing that Count Von Koetze, one of the masters of ceremonies of the imperial court, was arrested on Sunday last on a most extraordinary charge.

The arrest of Count Von Koetze is the result of four years of patient police investigation. During all that period members of the highest aristocracy of Germany have been in receipt of anonymous letters and postal cards. These missives, in most instances, were used by the anonymous writer to make the most indecent personal accusations, either against the persons to whom they were addressed, or against their intimate friends or dearest relatives. Nothing seemed too vile for the anonymous writer to intimate to the objects of his venomous attacks, and the result was that very bitter feelings were caused in many worthy families. Husbands were led to suspect their wives; fathers learned to doubt their sons; daughters began to look with suspicion on their mothers; life-long friends were separated, and, in brief, irreparable wrong was done in a great number of noble families.

In a number of cases it would seem the people who received the anonymous communications, instead of tearing them up with contempt, brooded over them and did exactly what the anonymous enemy wanted them to do. In other instances, however, the persons who received these communications placed them in the hands of the police. After a long and patient work they discovered the source of these despicable missives.

On Sunday last Count Von Koetze, upon returning from a visit to Schreiberhau, Prussian Silesia, was arrested in this city by Gen. Von Hahnke, chief of the emperor's military cabinet and aide-de-camp to his majesty, charged with being the author of this long series of anonymous slanders. Shortly after the arrest, upon the suggestion of Gen. Von Hahnke, who personally examined the prisoner, physicians were sent for in order that Von Koetze's mental condition might be determined. It was shown that the prisoner's father died in an asylum for the insane, and the examining physicians' opinion was that the son was the victim of mania. The inquiry is proceeding. The general opinion seems to be that as a convenient way out of a most disgraceful affair Von Koetze will be confined in an asylum.

## MOUNDSVILLE.

A Miscellaneous Melange of Minor Matters from Marshall's Metropolis.

The Epworth League has elected the following delegates to the district convention in Wheeling next Thursday: Miss Anna Sunderland, Mrs. Ada Carrick, Miss India Evans, Miss Letitia Dick, Miss Mary Scott, Charles Manning and James A. Sigafosco. The league will spend the fourth of July on the farm of Thomas Scott, at Round Bottom.

The coal works had to shut down yesterday on account of a broken pump. It was reported around that the miners had gone out on another strike. Mr. Brooks went to Pittsburgh on the early train yesterday morning for a new pump and returned in the afternoon. The works will go on again this morning.

The Republican county executive committee will meet in the court house next Tuesday, at which time the order for a county convention will most likely be rescinded, as the sentiment of the party seems to be almost unanimously in favor of primaries instead of the convention.

Solomon Lightner, a staunch Republican of Webster district, was in the sheriff's office yesterday settling his last year's taxes. He was compelled to sell his clip of wool at eighteen cents a pound in order to raise the necessary funds to meet his tax bill.

The Moundsville Driving Park and Fair Association will give a picnic and a number of good horse and bicycle races on July 4. A foot race will be a feature.

The wife of D. B. Ray died on Thursday of consumption. She had been an invalid for a long time. The funeral took place yesterday.

An infant child of Rudolph Baugh died on the camp ground Thursday night. It will be taken to Baltimore for burial.

A marriage license was issued to Mr. Barney Shalvey and Miss Mary E. Nagel, of Cameron, yesterday by Clerk Lewis.

A colored woman convict in the penitentiary was released yesterday after serving a four years' term.

J. K. Chaso, assessor for the second district, was at the county seat yesterday fixing up his books.

Will Bryan, baggage master of the Baltimore & Ohio, is away on a vacation.

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